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Sir:

Responsive to the Official Action of December 17, 2001, please amend the above noted patent application as follows:

DECLARATION

Please strike the existing *Declaration* and substitute therefore the attached revised, substitute *Declarations*.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

On page 1, lines 5 and following, please amend the cross-reference to related application to read as in Annex A. A marked-up version showing changes to this section appears as Annex B.